

NEWS and NOTES for June 1. 2025

Monday, June 2: 2:30PM Fiber Arts at Westfield Manor

Wednesday, June 4: 10:30AM Joint Use Taskforce – Conference Room

Thursday, June 5: 6:00PM Yoga class – Parish Hall

Saturday, June 7: 6:00PM SHINE worship for the Vigil of Pentecost – Chapel

Today's Composer Spotlight - Nadia Boulanger (1887 – 1979)

Nadia Boulanger concludes our focus on some important female music artists. Ms. Boulanger is known as a teacher, composer, occasional performer, and conductor. She studied at the Conservatoire in Paris where she lived most of her life. She studied organ with Charles-Marie Widor and studied composition with Faure. Ms. Boulanger quit composing as she felt she had written "a number of useless pieces". She



concentrated on teaching and conducting. Many of the leading musicians of the 20th century were her students – Aaron Copland, Igor Stravinsky, and Quincy Jones were some of them. She became the first female to conduct major symphonies, including the BBC and Boston Symphonies and the Philadelphia Orchestra. She also conducted several world premieres, including works of Copland and Stravinsky.

While not known as a performer or composer of sacred music, Nadia Boulanger had a profound influence on the music we have heard over the years and continue to hear today.

Toddhall Open House

The **Toddhall Open House** is **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **June 1**, **2:00-5:00 pm**. This event is open to all members of St. George's and St. Mark, and the public. It includes tours, a silent auction, live organ music, hors d'oeuvres, and more. Tickets are \$25.00. For additional information, phone 618-281-8180 or e-mail www.toddhallretreat.org.

SHINE Worship on Saturday

Join us **this Saturday**, **June 7**, for a special worship service celebrating the **Vigil of Pentecost** in the **chapel** at **6:00PM** with combined musical talents from St. Mark & St. George's.



Ladies Lunch Bunch on June 11

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, June 11 at 11:30AM at Tavern on Main (301 E. Main Street, Belleville). Contact June Benedick at 618 977 4389 to sign up to join the group.

St. Mark Offerings (5/18): Gen. Fund: **\$2,146.96**; Food Pantry: \$25; \$45 (Dwight Ness Memorial); Muller Landscaping: \$101; Fiber Arts: \$101; Grounds/Property Maintenance: \$101

Belleville Summer Sack Lunch Program is Back!

We're partnering again with Westview Baptist to provide free lunches for low-income kids!

Donations: Individually packaged Cheez-Its, chips, pretzels, nut-free cookies, and juice pouches (e.g., Capri Sun).

Drop off at church or contact **Sherri Foppe** for other arrangements.

- **+ Monetary gifts welcome:** Give to Sherri, Ann Martens, or online: secure.myvanco.com/L-YT91/campaign/C-15AC7
- + Food Safety: Gloves required for packing; masks optional for delivery.
- + Volunteers Needed for...

Packing: Wednesdays, 5-5:45 PM @ Westview Baptist

Delivery: Thursdays, 10:35 AM-1 PM

Dates: June 4-Aug 7 (weekly)

+ Sign-up in Parish Hall!

Info: Sherri (618)791-6148 | cookinsherri2@gmail.com or Ann (618)235-7762 | ga72mart@charter.net

Summer Sack Lunch Mini Traveling VBS

The Evangelism/Social Ministry and Christian Education teams are launching a **new mini traveling VBS** during Summer Sack Lunch deliveries!

We'll visit 4 distribution sites with a 20-minute program featuring **Bible heroes David** and **Queen Esther**, including a story/skit, craft or game, and possibly music.

Volunteers Needed!

Each site needs **4–5 helpers** (more on **June 19 & July 10** at Hough Park, which serves 40–50 children). No experience needed—just a heart to serve!

Program Dates & Times:

- **June 19** (10:50 AM–1:15 PM) *David & Goliath*, led by Sherri Foppe
- **June 26** (11:20 AM–12:30 PM) *David & Goliath*
- **July 10** (10:50 AM–1:15 PM) *Queen Esther*, led by Jan Richards
- **July 17** (11:20 AM–12:30 PM) Queen Esther
- Sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall (with the Driver/Co-Pilot and Lunch Packers sheets).

Looking Ahead...

Consider joining the group of us traveling to **Mercy** (now EverVella) **Rehab & Care Center** (Swansea) and **Freeburg Care Center** on **Sunday**, **June 29** to **sing** some patriotic songs and other favorite melodies. More information coming soon!

Also in process is a congregational **pool party** at **Westhaven Pool & Racket Club**, tentatively scheduled for **Tuesday**, **July 29**!

The Joint Safety Committee is sponsoring a class on **Saturday September 20** from 9am-1pm.

Chestnut Health Systems will present information on *Mental Health, Substance Abuse/Narcan and Suicide Awareness/Prevention*. If these subjects are of interest to you, please put this class on your calendar. A sign-up will be available later in the summer. For questions, please call Sue Vaughn at 618-593-7213.

